FIRST RUNNING TRACK TO OPEN AT WASHINGTON APRIL 18.

About the Two and Three-Year-Old Cracks and Their Chances of Winning the Big Prizes.

GREAT GAME OF BILLIARDS

JAKE SCHAEFER MAKES TWO GOOD SPRINTS AND DEFEATS IVES.

Second Series of the Tournament to Be Played in Boston-Letter from Athletes Bound for Greece.

NEW YORK, April 4.—The racing season in the East will be opened two weeks from to-day, and, with an intermission of ten days, will be continued until late in the fall. The first meeting is at Washington under the new management, and, judging from the list for the stakes and the people inen seen at the capital. The Blemton string is already at the track, and Henry of Navarre, Dorian, Keenan, Hastings and the lot of two-year-olds seem to be in good condition. Other stables will go there in short time, and when the racing begins it i that the accommodations of the be tested. The Washington handicap is the first stake to be run off, and although Henry of Navarre will not start, there should be a good race. Each day thereafter will come to a close on May 2. Morris Park will then be opened, followed by Gravesend, Coney Island, Aqueduct, Brighton Beach, Coney Island again, Gravesend and Morris Park to close the season.

From all the stables there are reports of reat trials by two-year-olds, but until they have been tried in a race little knowledge can be gained of this year's crop, as trials count for little when it comes to racing. Almost every trainer has a world-beater, and some, therefore, are likely to be disappointed sity, who was on his way to Athens with when their charges come to sport silk. Some of the great race horse Tammany will be watched with interest, as he is such a high-class animal, but so was Salvator. and his progeny thus far have not been anything like the standard of their sire. Other stallions will be represented for the first time and the guessing is great this year.

The best racing of the year should come from the three-year-olds, for the cracks of last season are all in good condition and there are several old scores to settle. As has frequently been the case, the richest Handspring and Ben Brush are missing, and the Tidal has neither Requital nor Ben Brush. This will take away some of the interest, although there are plenty of good ones left. According to their records the best three-year-olds this year should be Handspring, Ben Brush, Requital, Hastings, Applegate, Refugee and Hazlet. Handspring is a true Hanover, and as they always improve he should be dangerous. His place in the Futurity was not a true one, for he was so cut by Axiom at the post that he did not show his ability. Hastings was not right then either, or he would have shown better. Refugee made a fine showing last fall, and is likely to be dangerous, while Hazlet is a good one. Applegate may turn out better than last fall, as he was a great horse in the spring. One I Love stood at the head of the filles last fall, but Cassetto has wintered well and the two should about divide the stakes for their class this season. Taken all in all it will be seen to be a good lot and likely to fur-

poken of now, and the speculation about the etropolitan to be run on May 12, is con-The Brooklyn and Suburban have a different rank, and the books have been open for some time. In the Brooklyn Henry of Navarre is, of course, the favorite, and even at this early date no better than 5 to 1 can be had against him. In the 1 is about the best given. Clifford is next in favor, at 5 to 1 and 4 to 1, respectively. These tor, and the bookmakers seem to have much the best of it in every way. Sir Walter, that sterling horse which has got the place many times in big races, is third choice, while Nanki Pooh, Keenan, Counter Tenor and follow, about equal choices. These are at all sorts of odds, being considered practically out of it, although handicaps are uncertain problems, and may go to the outsiders, as they have frequently in the past. On the Eastern tracks the changes in officials have been many, and generally for the good of the racing. In the first place, Flynn, handled a flag, and, with the starting ma-chine to aid him, should get the horses off together at the first attempt. Long delays at the post should be a thing of the past, and the heavily weighted horses will have a chance to win. In the judges' stand there will be a change, owing to the retirement of Colonel Simmons, and a younger man will be put in to assist Mr. McDowell. John Hoey was an ideal judge, and his death has made a void hard to fill, but if Harry Morris can be induced to accept the place he will have the confidence of everybody. The Brighton track will be greatly improved by the new grandstand, which will be open to the sea breezes, and should be more popular than

Close at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, April 4 .- The local racing season closed to-day. Though the card was a very ordinary one, it furnished better sport than it promised, and the dead heat between Begue and Hibernia Queen and the subsequent run-off was one of the best

First Race Six furlongs. Imp. King Gold, 111 (Sherer), 9 to 2, won; Alamo, 198 (Ross), 12 to 1, second; Roy Lochiel, 114 (Freeman), 1 to 2, third. Time, 1:131/2. Nevada Boy, Framp, Warren Leland, Bart and Gomor Second—Six furlongs. Helen Wren, 104 (T. Burns), 7 to 2, won; Jack Bradley, 103 (Hirsch), 25 to 1, second; Whiff, 106 (Ross), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1.14%. Lady McCann, Carrie B., My Hebe, Semele, J. W. Cook, Imp. Marden Pet and Herman also ran. Bradley 8 to 1 place.

Third-Mile and one-quarter. Peytonia, 111 (Ross), 2 to 1, won; Haroldine, 106 (Hyle), 10 to 1, second; Dr. Parke, 108 (Hirsch), 20

to 1, third. Time, 2:09½, Uncle Jim, Ixion, Princess Rose, Nemaha and Fakir also ran. Haroldine 3 to 1 place. Fourth—One mile. Hibernia Queen, 96 (Hyle), 10 to 1, and Begue, 104 (Sherer), 9 to 10, ran a dead heat; Booze, 108 (Ham), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:41½. Nellie H., Ashaland, Laverne, Dick Tension and Tuscarora also ran. In the run-off Begue was at 9 to 20 and Hibernia Queen 2 to 1. They ran lapped to the last sixteenth pole, where Begue drew away and won easily by a length.

Fifth—One mile. La Gallienne, 86 (Clay), 6 to 1, won; Otho, 96 (H. Williams), 6 to 5, second; Airlight, 88 (Campbell), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:43½. Oak Forest, Tippecanoe, B Flat, Lottie, F. M. B., F. C. Nichols, Summer Rain and Jaja also ran. Otho 2 to 5 place.

Sixth—One mile. Sweetheart, 101 (Connolly), 10 to 1, won; Mrs. Morgan, 105 (Sherer), 6 to 5, second; Arkansas Traveier, 110 (Freeman), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:43%. Billy Mc-Kenzle, Victoress, San Blas, Spinola and Julie also ran. Mrs. Morgan 2 to 6 place.

Charter Oak Park Sold.

HARTFORD, Conn., April 4.-At noon today Charter Oak Park, known the country over among horsemen as one of the finest driving parks, was sold under the hammer 000 from the original cost. This magnificent trotting park was rendered useless by the enactment of the anti-pool-seiling bill by the General Assembly of four years ago, and the stock company owning it decided to sell the whole property at auction. The purchaser is Col. Henry Kennedy, one of the largest real-estate dealers in Hartford. It is reported that the buildings at Charter Oak will be torn down and the land divided into building lets.

San Francisco Race Winners. SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.-Two favorites won to-day. The other races were taken by well-played second choices, except Fortuna, at 20 to 1 who best Rey Del Bandidos, an odds-on favorite, by a head. The winners

RACING IN THE EAST Were Rey Del Tierra, Sister Mary, Fortuna Goodwin II.

THE BILLIARD TOURNEY.

Last Game of the New York Series Won by Jake Schaefer. NEW YORK, April 4.- The last game of the New York series of the international

tournament was played at the Garden Concert Hall to-night. The contestants were Frank C. Ives and Jake Schaefer. The second meeting of these well-known experts at the new eighteen-inch game attracted even a larger crowd of spectators than that which witnessed their first game last Wednesday night. Out of the five games this week Ives won three and Schaefer two, while Garnier lost four. There was just a possibility that the Americans would tie tonight, but there were very few who thought that Schaefer would be able to beat the young Napoleon and secure a tie with three wins to the credit of each. Ives, owing to his wonderful form during the week, having made 1,800 during the forty-four innings, was a eccided favorite. Alfred D'Gro, the world's champion pool expert, was the ref-

Ives gathered in thirty-three in the thir-teenth inning, thus leaving Jake 165 points The Chicago man then began a magnificent run. He soon got perfect control of the ivories, and when he had gathered one hundred the cheers which greeted him were deafening. At 150 the applause was renewed. With his one-hundred-and-sixtyfifth shot he tied the score and did not quit until he had gathered in 176 points, missing a three-cushion carom. This was, indeed, lucky thirteenth for Schaefer, and he received an ovation. The score then stood: Ives, 287; Schaefer, 278. Neither man scored in the following inning. Ives secured the slight lead which Schaefer held and ran up a fine bunch of eighty-three. Schaefer then made another wonderful run, adding 159 to

In the last inning Schaefer required just forty-seven points to finish the game, and he got them in an unfinished run, beating Ives by sixty-six. This makes a tie between Ives and Schaefer, which will be played off in Chicago next month. The second series will open in Boston on April 13. Summary: Ives—48, 0, 11, 129, 34, 1, 9, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 33, 0, 83, 0, 4, 67, 34, 79—534. Highest run, 129; average, 26 13-20. Schaefer-1, 7, 3, 4, 0, 34, 28, 1, 22, 0, 2, 0, 176, 0, 159, 8, 74, 14, 20, 47-600. Highest run,

PRACTICED ABOARD SHIP.

American Athletes Bound for Greece Trained on the Way.

LONDON, April 4.-A letter has been received at the office here of the Associated Press from A. C. Tyler, the pole vaulter Situation in South Africa Unsatisfacof the athletic team of Princeton Univerthe other American athletes in order to take part in the Olympic games there. Mr. Tyler's letter was delivered March 30 and mailed at Gibraltar. He said in substance that the North Germon Lloyd steamship Fulda, from New York, on March 21, had arrived there at 6 o'clock that morning and that the teams were in good health and condition. Continuing, Mr. Tyler describes in a most interesting manner the routine of training followed by the Americans while on their way across the Atlantic, The second cabin deck, it appears, was cleared of all movable objects, and Princeton's team practiced daily in sweaters and rubber shoes. They walked, used the skipping rope, practiced starts and used fivepound aumobells for forty-five minutes to an hour. The Boston team, however, only cation with these towns will shortly be practiced one day. But the Princeton, in addition to their two practices daily, exercised at vaulting, hurdling and high jumping whenever it was possible to do so. For two days the Fulda had slightly rough weather; but the rest of the voyage was accomplished in fine weather. On r'riday, March 24, while the athletes were exercising before the admiring eyes of the pas-sengers, Mr. T. F. Curtis, the hurdle racer of the Boston team, while clearing a hurdle struck his head against an iron beam and cut his scarp so severely that it required scitching. But he was as lively as ever half In another letter received here this even-

ing, dated Naples, April 2, Mr. Tyler says that owing to the nearness of the contests and fear of sore muscles, caused by the hard decks, the exercises of the Americans were relaxed between Gibraltar and Naples Managers Garrett and Graham are pleased with the condition of the men. Burke and Clarke, of the Boston teams, are consident of equaling the best record. Arthur Blake, of the same team, is a trifle overworked and Connolly, of Harvard, who is accompanying the Bostons, is jumping well.

An American Entered at Henley.

CHICAGO, April 4.-The Delaware Boat challenge sculls Dr. W. S. McDoweil, and be more than bright. McDowell last year succeeded in winning the amateur championship of America at Saratoga Springs from a fine field of scullers. His record throughout the season was remarkable. The Doctor has already ordered his boat, and expects to leave for England about the middle of May. He is in splendid condition already, and is training actively for the big event. If he wins it he will be the first

Terre Haute, 14; Owensboro, Ky., 4. Special to the Indianapolis Journal

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., April 4.- The open ing of the ball season to-day was with very cold weather and an uninteresting seveninning game with the Owensboro (Ky.) club. declined to act as umpire, for the reason, he said, that he did not care to run the risk of being mobbed. The score was 14 to 4 in favor of Terre Haute.

General Sporting Notes.

At Louisville, yesterday, the "Colonels' defeated the Detroit ball club 6 to 3. The Cincinnati ball team yesterday defeated a Kentucky picked nine 7 to 4. Race winners at Little Rock yesterday: Alion, Zephyr, Tropia, Nat P. and Whisper. In an exhibition of ball at Kansas City yesterday Cleveland defeated Kansas City

At Chicago yesterday in the match for the Dupont championship trophy at one hundred live birds, F. S. Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, Ia., defeated I. W. Budd, of Pemberton, N. J., by a score of ninety-two to seventy-

The fourteenth game of chess for the championship of the United States between Kemmeny and Showalter was played at Philadelphia yesterday, and after thirty moves was declared a draw. The score now stands: Showalter, 6; Kemmeny, 4;

An Illinois Bank Closed. DECATUR, Ill., April 4.-The Farmers' Bank did not open its doors this morning. but put up a notice that on account of heavy demands by depositors it would have to suspend a few days. Lewis B. Casner, proprietor of the bank, gives as the reason for the fallure a continuous withdrawal of deposits and inability at the present time to realize on securities. He is confident that all debts wil be paid without loss to any one. John A. Dawson, his son-in-law, is assignee. The assets are \$185,293, and liabilities \$128,315.

POPULAR METHODS USED.

Collecting the Street Sprinkling and Sweeping Tax. The total assessment for sprinkling and sweeping amounted to \$103,000 and all but ount less than \$1,000 of this total has been paid into the treasury. The collection of this tax was never more successful. The fact about this assessment is that the tax simply had to be paid and the notices that Treasurer Schmidt sent out concerning this ment had the desired effect and conassessment had the desired effect and convinced the property holders that to be delinquent in the matter would be bad policy. By being able to collect this large proportion of the assessment Mr. Schmidt has saved hundreds of people attorney's fees and court costs. It is true that it cost the Treasurer much additional expense in the matter of clerk hire, printing, etc., in the french crisis, the Egyptian and Matabele troubles, the arrival in this city of Mr. Edwin F. Uhl, the newly-appointed United States embassed to Germany, and of the latter's brief in terviews with Prince Hohen-lohe and himself, as Minister for Foreign Affairs, his Majesty's orders were to avoid a very thing calculated to excite French public but the results have been so successful that Treasurer Schmidt feels more than com-pensated and he knows that he has pleased

Mr. Schmidt will adopt the same methods in collecting the street improvement assess-ments as in the collection of the sprinkling and sweeping taxes, feeling sure that the property owners will take kindly to this method. There is a wide difference between the sprinkling and sweeping assessment and the street improvement agment. In the latter assessment Circuit Court has stepped in and said vaal, so far as it concerned enlisting Germust," and Mr. Schmidt will not be many's active support of that republic, has allowed to accept street-improvement as-falled, and that Germany will do nothing, sessments after the third Monday of this month—which will be the last day of grace. Delinquent property owners will find added to their original assessment attorney's fees and court costs. Mr. Schmidt not being allowed to accept delinquent assessments until after the processes of the court have been passed upon each delinquent assessment.

ANOTHER FIGHT BETWEEN ITAL-IANS AND ABYSSINIAN FANATICS.

Slaughtered and Wounded and Many Reported as Captured.

OF ITALIANS SLIGHT

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN FORCE OF INVA-DERS NOT STRONG ENOUGH.

The Khalifa's Hordes Trying to Steal a March on Their Foes-Situation in South Africa.

LONDON, April 4.-Another bloody battle has been fought in Abyssinia, but this time the honors of war are with the Italians. Advices received at Massowah from the front announce that five thousand Dervishes attacked an Italian native battalion on the morning of April 2, at Mount Mocran. Col. Stevania and forces from Kassala went to the assistance of the battalion, surprised the enemy and drove the latter back. The Dervishes were reinforced by several detachments from Tucruf and returned to the attack, but they were again repulsed in an engagement which lasted four hours. The Italians lost one hundred killed and wounded, and the Dervishes suffered heavily in killed and wounded, and, in addition, many of their at the head of a large force of Dervishes, has arrived at the Harasat hills. The friendly Arabs are intrenched at Erkoweit, barring the advance of the Dervishes upon Suakim. A dispatch from Cairo says: The Der-

BRITAIN'S HANDS FULL.

vishes have advanced on Mogrekeh, only

twenty miles distant from Akasheh. The

friendly Arabs now occupy a position oppo-

tory, and Dervishes Causing Trouble. LONDON, April 4.-All official and semiofficial statements to the contrary, it is generally admitted that the situation in South Africa is unsatisfactory. Even the reassuring statement made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. Chamberlain, has not changed the public opinion on the subject and to-day he is openly accused of triffing with the situation and pretending that the scanty forces there are able to cope with the rebellion of the Matabeles and its possible outcomes. It seems beyond question that Buluwayo and Gwelo are the only two stations in Matabeleland 1895, I was arrested at Tamatave. I asked which are in a defensive condition and there is a strong possibility that communientirely cut off. Mr. Chamberlain's disinclination to have strong reinforcements of British troops sent to South Africa is said to arise from his desire to do nothing which may give color to the French and German charge that the real object of sending the reinforcements to South Africa is to coerce the Boers. Then, again, the scope of the Soudan expedition appears to be widening and there is considerable fear in many quarters that the government does not realize the extent of the undertaking.

Experts in Dervish warfare say the Anglo-

Egyptian force is inadequate to cope with the situation, and there is acute danger that communication with the advance guard of the Egyptian troops will be cut off, and that possible for the support of British troops to arrive. It is urged that reinforcements of at least 10,000 troops should be promptly sen to Africa from India alone, and it is pointed out that, according to reliable information. the Khalifa's forces are pouring from the getting behind the advancing force. Should the march be continued and the troops from India be promptly landed at Suakin they will break up Osman Digna's force and threaten the rear of the Dervishes. the Anglo-Egyptian army which will push up the Nile will be concentrated thirty-five miles from Wady Haifa ready to march upon Akasheh. The rapid progress to the front shows that the transport arrangements are working well. Men, arms, ammunition and stores are being conveyed over a very difficult route without the slightest hitch. until he succeeds in collecting his complete forces there. In the interval the camel corps and cavalry will push forward to the nearest Dervish post at Suarda. The Akashen. Dr. Lillian, the English woman physician to the Ameer of Afghanistan, has Ameer on the criticism aroused in England on his campaign to subjugate Kafiristan. The Ameer contends that the treaty of 1893, which gave Great Britain rights over the Chitral district, also gave him full rights over Kafiristan, and he is fully determined to stand by the treaties, regardless of the consequences. The fears of possible Russian ag-

The Russians were within a few days merch of Kafiristan, could have occupied it easily, and thus would have been within two day's march of Cubal and within gunshot of other vital positions in Afghanistan.
Dr. Hamilton warmly defends the Ameer
against the charge of wishing to extirpate or enslave the Kafirs. She says that, on the contrary, the Ameer, recognizing their splendid fighting powers, has tried to win their loyalty, so as to have their assistance against Russian invasion. The letter also gives interesting pen pictures of the slavery question. Dr. Hamilton thinks that no foreigner ever had the entree into Afghan harems as she has had, and, consequently, she is able to certify that no Kafirs are enslaved and that no tribe in fact, except the Hazaras, was ever reduced to slavery by the Afghans.

VIEWS OF GERMANS.

The Matabele Uprising Regarded a Dangerous Development.

(Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press.) BERLIN, April 4.-Since Emperor William's departure for Italy and Prince Hohenlohe's journey to Baden-Baden political excitement has rapidly substued, and the press of all parties discuss events in England, France and Italy dispassionately and impartially in the absence of any official inspiration. Nevertheless, the Emperor keeps a firm hand on the government tiller. At Naples and Palermo he had, from on board the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, direct telegraphic communication with the Berlin Foreign Office, and kept the wires busy sending hundreds of dispatches and instructions to civil and army officers. The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Baron Marschal von Bieberstein, sent the Emperor detailed accounts of the French crisis, the Egyptian and Matabele troubles, the arrival in this city of Mr. Edwin F. Uhl. the newly-appointed United States embassedor to Germany, and of the latter's brief ir terviews with Prince Hohen-labe and himself as Winister for Foreign Afeverything calculated to excite French public

opinion against Germany.

The Matabele rising is regarded as a dangerous development, but it has not stirred the German press, in spite of the very prevalent belief that the revolt is not unwelcome to those who are desirous of seeing the British forces in South Africa re-inforced. The Hamburg Correspondence publishes a letter from a writer who is evidently behind the scenes, in which it is declared that the mission of Dr. W. J. Leyds, the Secretary of State for the Transtorate over the Transvaal. As the North German Gazette has reproduced this state-ment, it may be regarded as official.

Matabeles on the Warpath. CAPE TOWN. April 4.-Three Matabele imple have passed - the castward of Tati, and

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it is reported that the Matabeles intend to attack Zambo, a loyal chief.

WALLER'S STORY

EX-CONSUL TALKS TO A REPORTER BEFORE SAILING FOR HOME.

He Tells of His Hurried Conviction and the Brutality of French Offieers on Board the Steamer.

(Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press.) LONDON, April 4.-Mr. John L. Waller, formerly United States consul at Tamatave, number were made prisoners. Osman Digna, Island of Madagascar, arrived in this city a short time ago, after his release at the instance of the United States government, from the French prison, in which he had been confined under the sentence of twenty years' imprisonment imposed on him by a court-martial for having correspondence with the Hovas. He has been living in retirement since his arrival, and on the adclaim against the French government, has not received any representatives of the English press. However, Mr. Waller, who sailed for New York to-day, made a state-(Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press.) ment to the Associated Press before his departure. It is the first time he has told his story to a reporter.

"You will remember that Tamatave was bombarded by the French in December, 1894," he began. "I was then living at Tamatave. Shortly after the bombardment I wrote to my wife, who was living up country. In my letter I merely described the event, referred to the sanitary condition of the town and the number of French soldiers there, but I did also describe some of the barbarities I witnessed, particularly the ravishing of the Hova women by French soldiers. On March 3, for time to obtain witnesses and to know on what the charges against me were based. I for violation of an order of Jan. 18, 1896, regarding sending any letters except through the French port; second, violation of one of the articles of the French military code, by corresponding with the enemy regarding French operations in Tamatave. I was at first refused counsel, but afterwards obtained the services of M. La Gray. He had only forty-eight hours in which to look into my case. The trial was held on March 20, 1895 and only lasted an hour. My lawyer frequently told the court that such charges as were adduced would be laughed at in a civil court trial. However, I was condemned to twenty years' solitary confinement.

"On the 23rd of March I was placed on a steamer bound for Marsellles. I was told that I would be given a stateroom for the voyage. However, when I reached the boat I was conducted to the hold and made to sit down on the platform which is just underneath the hatchway for lowering freight. My guard, who was a brotal French soldier, afterward a huge iron bar was brought and placed on the floor in front of me. To this my ankles were chained. I was then unable to change my position, even enough to lie on my side. The rabble of Tamative had followed me from the jail to the steamer. They came on board, and, standing on the deck, spat down on me. I was soon completely covered with their saliva. I appealed to my guard and to several of the French soldiers, but they only laughed at me. As night came on it began to rain, and I lay, powerless to move, with the tropical beating down on me. Being wet in climate is always followed by fever, unless one's clothes are immediately changed. In the morning I was trembling with chills At 8 o'clock some breakfast was brought me. It consisted of soup with rice and curry in it and a piece of bread. I could not eat, Gen. H. H. Kitchener, the siriar of the and begged for a cup of tea. One of the Egyptian forces, will remain at Akasheh soldiers drew his sabre and exclaimed: 'Eat

in the afternoon. I was given but two meals a day. All my effects had been taken away from me and I was fil provided with clothing. I had but one and a half franc with a three-column letter in the Times detailing me. After leaving Zanzibar I gave this to a long conversation which she had with the a soldier and told him to buy me some oranges. He tock the money, and when I saw him next day said he had lost it. A few saw him next day said he had lost it. A few French officers came on board at Zanzibar. One of them remonstrated with my guard and I was released from my chains. Another officer, seeing me released, said: 'You are an enemy to France. To-night when you are asleep I will cut your throat and throw you overboard.' I had been given a room, and my guard slept in it near me. That night I was aroused by a noise in my room, and saw this officer standing at the foot of my bed. I got up and dressed and started to go on deck. He followed me and struck me on the back of the head as I was ascending the stairway and knocked me down. I ing the stairway and knocked me down. I got up, and, fearful for my life, struck him in the face, cutting it open. The officers of the ship came, and I appealed to them for the ship came, and I appealed to them for protection. I was assured by them and by the French officers who had befriended me that nothing would be done to me for my action in defending myself. After this episode the Frenchman kept away from me.

"Going through the Suez canal I was again chained, and again as we approached Marseilles. At Marseilles I was conducted to a dirty fithy prison. I only remained to a dirty, filthy prison. I only remained there a few days, and then, handcuffed to two other prisoners, was taken to the military prison at Claravaux. Here the food was so bad that I could not retain it on my stomach. I appealed to the governor of the prison and he sent the doctor to examine me. From Claravaux I was transferred to the prison at Nimes. On Feb. 20, 1896, a prison official arrived and told me that my pardon had been received. With it came a message from Mr. Eustis, in Paris, directing me to draw on him for money. I wish particularly to state that in making my application for pardon, I made no agreement whatever to waive my claims for damage against the French govern-

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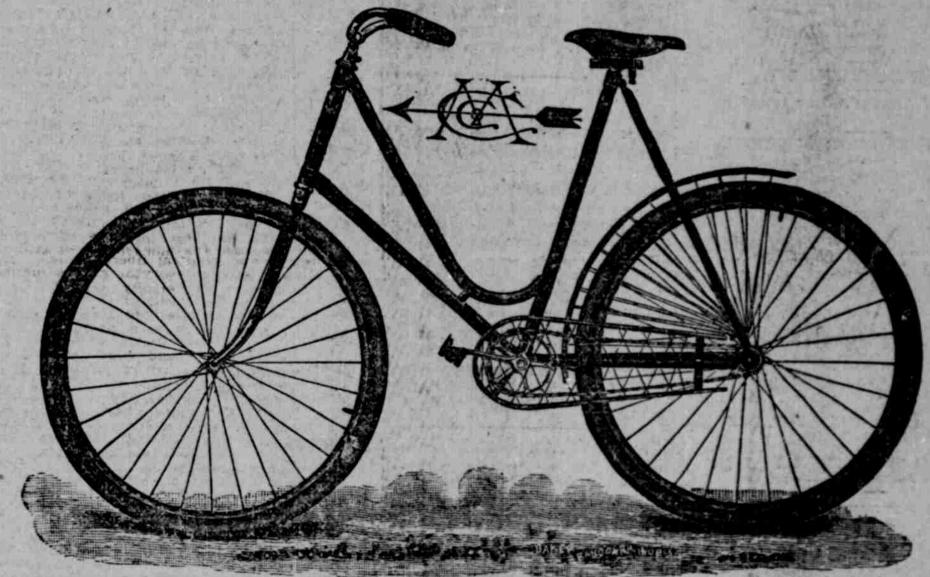
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